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Re: NOTICE OF RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST

FOIA FILE NO.: P518853

Dear Mr. Chapman:

The Chicago Police Department (CPD) is in receipt of your Freedom of Information Act request received on August 29, 2019. It was determined that you are seeking:

"Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act., I hereby request the following records related to all search warrants executed between Jan 2012 and the date of processing this request:

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Search Warrant #
Type of Warrant
Search Warrant Date
Search Warrant Requested Address
Search Warrant Execution Address
Complaint For Search Warrant Date
Whether Arrest Occurred
Requesting Officer
Approving Watch Commander
District/Unit
Recovery (Y/N)
Arrest (Y/N)
Name of Judge Who Approved
Time of Judge Approval
Whether Contraband Found in Unusual Location

Whether a Warrant Team Vest Was Used."

The Chicago Police Department is now responding to your request. Your request was reviewed by the undersigned. The Search Warrant Data Report can be provided to you, however, please be advised that the Chicago Police Department has redacted certain information, as explained further below. Also, please be advised that we do not track "Execution Address" as a field (where we *do* track is "Requested Address").

To protect the undercover officers and confidential informants, the names of these officers have been withheld pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7 (1)(d)(iv) and 5 ILCS 140/7 (1)(d)(vi) which protect information that would:

Section 7(1)(d)(vi) provides that a public body may withhold information if disclosure would endanger the life or physical safety of law enforcement personnel or any other person.

- (iv) unavoidably disclose the identity of a confidential source, confidential information furnished only by the confidential source, or persons who file complaints with or provide information to administrative, investigative, law enforcement, or penal agencies; except that the identities of witnesses to traffic accidents, traffic accident reports, and rescue reports shall be provided by agencies
- (vi) endanger the life or physical safety of law enforcement personnel or any other person;

Keeping the identity of undercover officers confidential is important to maintaining public safety. Undercover officers are often assigned to investigations that promote public safety. If an undercover officer is identified, a highly sensitive investigation that he or she is a part of will be compromised resulting in dangerous criminals remaining on the streets of the City of Chicago. Moreover, officer safety could be compromised if criminals learn the identities of undercover officers who were involved in investigations against them.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at the email address listed below.

You have the right to have a denial reviewed by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, 500 S. Second St., Springfield, IL 62706, (877)299-3642. You also have the right to seek judicial review of your denial by filing a lawsuit in the Cook County Circuit Court under 5 ILCS 140/11.

Sincerely,

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